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Anticipated Classification of this application:  
Prior Application: 09/711,269

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Subclass:  
Art Unit: 1762

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a: ☒ continuation application  
☐ divisional application

pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of pending prior application Serial No. 09/711,269, filed November 13, 2000, for the invention entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING LASER CVD" by inventors Richard A. Haight, Peter P. Longo, and Alfred Wagner.

- ☒ Enclosed are a specification, drawings, and a copy of the executed declaration as originally filed. No new matter has been added.
- ☒ The filing fee is calculated below (see also paragraph 5 below):

				SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
Claims After Amendment	Number Filed		Number Extra	Rate		Rate	
Total Claims	25	- 20 =	5	x \$ 9 =	\$	x \$ 18 =	90
Independent	2	- 3 =	0	x \$ 43 =	\$	x \$ 86 =	0
Basic Fee				Small Entity = \$385 Large Entity = \$770			770
Multiple Dependent Claims				+ \$150 =	\$	+ \$290 =	
Assignment Recording Fee				+ \$40 =	\$	+ \$40 =	
TOTAL FEE DUE =					\$		\$860

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee in the amount of \$860.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ Related Application Data and Incorporation by Reference: This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/711,269, filed November 13, 2000. The entire disclosure of prior application Serial No. 09/711,269 is herein incorporated by reference.
7. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application.
8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION.
9. ☒ Assignee information pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.76:  
ASSIGNEE NAME: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION  
ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: ARMONK, NEW YORK
10. ☒ The power of attorney and the associate power of attorney appear in the original papers in the prior application (copy enclosed).
11. ☒ Enclosed is a Form PTO-1449 listing all of the references cited by both the Examiner and Applicants during prosecution of the prior application.
12. ☐ The statement of Small Entity Status filed in the prior application is still proper.
13. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
14. ☒ Direct all correspondence to **Customer Number 23334**.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that

☒ Request for Filing of Continued Application  
☒ Specification, Claims, Abstract  
☒ 1 set of 8 sheets of drawings  
☒ Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney  
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